

Delta Plan Development

Summary: Review and discuss the proposed Agenda Roadmap for Delta Plan and EIR discussions and the Preliminary Staff Draft Delta Plan. Comments received in the past month are summarized in the Comment Matrix.

Background

The schedule for preparing the Draft Delta Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been updated to reflect information that will be addressed at each of the two separate Council meetings (of two days each) in March, April, May, and June 2011 (Attachment 1). During months where there are two sets of meetings, the information will be posted approximately one week prior to the Council meeting.

The Preliminary Staff Draft Delta Plan will be presented at the February 2011 Council meeting (Attachment 2). The discussion will focus on findings and a preliminary list of conceptual strategies. This first draft Delta Plan includes chapters covering the need, purpose and use of the Delta Plan, and key findings and conceptual strategies on water resources, Delta ecosystem, reducing Delta flood risk, and the Delta as an evolving place. Additional chapters on water quality, adaptive management, governance, finance, implementation and integration will be included in the next version of the draft Delta Plan.

Comments received by the Council in the last month are summarized in the Comment Matrix (Attachment 3). Most of the comments received this month were related to review of the white papers presented at the Council's October, November, and December 2010 meetings and considerations for alternative concepts for inclusion in the Delta Plan.

List of Attachments

Attachment 1: Proposed Agenda Roadmap for Delta Plan and EIR Discussions
Attachment 2: Preliminary Staff Draft Delta Plan
Attachment 3: Comment Matrix for Comments Received from January 10, 2011 through February 4, 2011

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